

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
Alexandria Division

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)	
<i>ex rel.</i> STEPHEN BISHOP,)	
)	
Plaintiff/Relator,)	NO. 1:13-cv-1453 (AJT/JFA)
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)	
v.)	
)	
LEVEL 3 COMMUNICATIONS, INC.)	
<i>et al.</i>)	
)	
Defendants.)	

JOINT STIPULATION OF DISMISSAL OF CLAIMS AGAINST LEVEL 3
COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a), the United States, having intervened in part for purposes of settlement in this *qui tam* brought pursuant to the False Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. §§ 3729-3733 (“FCA”), and Relator Stephen Bishop (“Relator”), hereby notify the Court of the voluntary dismissal of all claims against Level 3 Communications, Inc. (“Level 3”) in this action, with the exception of Relator’s claim for attorney’s fees and costs under 31 U.S.C. § 3730(d)(1), as set forth below:

1. The Relator dismisses with prejudice all claims alleged in his Complaint as to himself and against Level 3.
2. The United States dismisses with prejudice all claims against Level 3 that are “Covered Conduct” under the Settlement Agreement, and without prejudice all other claims against Level 3 alleged in the Complaint.

3. Except as provided in the Settlement Agreement and Relator's claim for attorney's fees and costs pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3730(d)(1), the parties will bear their respective costs, including any possible attorneys' fees or other expenses of litigation.

4. No Defendants have filed an answer or responsive pleading to the Complaint.

5. Pursuant to the Settlement and *Kokkonen v. Guardian Life Insurance Co. of America*, 511 U.S. 375 (1994), the Court shall retain jurisdiction to enforce the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

Dated: June 2, 2021

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IT IS HEREBY SO ORDERED this ____ day of _____, 2021.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE